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**From:** Fehrenbach, Margie  
**Sent:** Wed 9/17/2014 4:10:43 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Discussion with Jack Housenger, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, regarding 2,4-D Assessment

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**Cc:** john.wargo@yale.edu; Gary Hirshberg; Kenneth Cook  
**Subject:** RE: Discussion with Jack Housenger, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, regarding 2,4-D Assessment

Dear Margie

It will be very difficult for me to make time for a meeting, but If Mr Housenger were willing to provide a concise document that briefly explains the logic for not applying the ten-fold child-protective safety factor in the case of 2,4-D, I would be delighted to review and comment on that document.

Sincerely

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Dear Dr. Landrigan:

Thank you for responding to this request. We understand and very much appreciate that you have a lot on your plate next week regarding your important work related to medical care for WTC responders following 9/11. If possible, would you consider a conference call/meeting the following week so that our Director and senior scientists can have a chance to more fully discuss the 2,4-D risk assessment and EPA's shared desire

to protect public health, including and especially children. OPP scientists believe it would be valuable to have a detailed, scientific discussion of both our rationale and your concerns about it as well as your thoughts on the subject.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

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**Subject:** RE: Discussion with Jack Housenger, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, regarding 2,4-D Assessment

Dear Margie

I am pretty much tied up all next week with 9/11 work. My Department at Mount Sinai is responsible for providing medical care to over 20,000 of the WTC first responders, and there is always a lot to be done each year around the anniversary.

I continue to stand by the position that I expressed last week in our meeting with Jack and Administrator McCarthy that the scientific base of developmental toxicology studies that would justify waiving the 10-fold, child-protective safety factor for 2, 4-D is thin, outdated and totally inadequate.

I believe strongly that the 10x safety factor should be imposed in this registration of 2, 4-D, and I believe that EPA is in error in making the decision to waive.

America's children will be placed at risk as a result of this unfortunate decision, which in my view runs counter to both the spirit and the letter of the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996.

Sincerely,

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